### **MOVING FORWARD**

The 3 levels of involvement:

#### **Conference** -

- Attend as a parent
- Receive information and give feedback
- Highlight issues of concern.

### Focus Groups -

- Attend meetings
- Takes issues on behalf of parent carers
- Works with professional service deliverers
- Feedback to MCT Steering Group.

### **Steering Group -**

- Attend monthly SG meetings and Focus Group meetings
- Run conferences
- Takes issues on behalf of parent carers
- Works with professional service deliverers.



## HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Telephone: 0191 5873541 Email: info@mctdurham.co.uk Write to: Making Changes Together

## C/O SENDIASS

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# County Durham Parent Carer Forum













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### WHO ARE MCT?

- "The Making Changes Together Parent Forum for County Durham represents the interests of parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities.
- We do this by working in partnership with the Local Authority, Health and Social Care services and other groups and organisations to influence service provision and highlight the issues and needs of the families we represent."



### WHAT WE'VE DONE

- Co-produced information leaflets with relevant professionals for parent/carers around learning difficulties and the way your child/young person should be supported in school.
- Commissioning of short breaks and review of the short breaks statement.
- Autism review and the production of the SEND Toolkit for professionals and the Parents SEND Toolkit.
- SEND Participation Strategy and Parents Charter.

## **HOW WE ARE SUPPORTED**



### HOW WE'VE DONE IT



- Parent/carer led conferences twice a year for parent/carers with relevant professionals.
- SEND Workshops, training days, 1:1 advice surgeries with relevant professionals.
- Disability Information Events.
- Also through Focus Groups which include, Preparing for Adulthood (PfA) Short Breaks, Transport, Local Offer, SEND Disability and Accountability Group, Work Streams.